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CHRONICLES OF NEW ISSUES, ETC.

Conducted by William C. Stone, Springfield, Mass., to whom all information respecting new issues, etc., should be sent.

The figures in parenthesis after the names of the countries refer to the number of this paper containing the last previous notice. Colors in italics represent the colors of the surcharges. All envelopes unless otherwise stated are on white wove paper. All post cards unless otherwise stated are on buff cardboard.

ADHESIVES.

Antigua.—A corespondent of the *Monthly Journal* has a 6-penny stamp in deep green, unwatermarked and perforated, 15½ at left and bottom and 11 at top and right.

Argentine.—The ½ centavo stamp is now said to be printed on pink paper. ½ centavo, blue on pink. The *Philatelic Journal of America* has received several values of the 1890 series with the word "Official" printed diagonallyacross. 1 centavo, brown; *black*. 2 centavos, lilac; *black*. 5 centavos, red; *black*. 10 centavos, brown; *black*.

Benin.—Two more provisionals: The 40-cent. and 1 franc of the now obsolete issue have been received with the name of the colony surcharged. 10 centimes, orange; *black*. 1 franc, olive; *black*.. The new stamps are of the same design as the rest of the colonials, a list of which will be found in our January issue.

Bosnia.—A new value of the current type has been put in use recently, we are informed. 20 (novcica), dark green.

British Bechuanaland.—The *Monthly Journal* has news of the 2 penny unappropriated die with "3d" in red by mistake. Who has the rest of them?

British North Borneo.—The 4 cent stamp has been surcharged like the 5 cents noted not long since. 1 cent on 4 cents, rose; *red*.

Brazil, United States of.—New stamps of the value of 10, 20, 50 and 100 reis are soon to be put in use. According to the official circular they will bear a symbolic figure of the Republic and will be printed in two tints each, the ground work being in the lighter shades. We have not yet seen them, but should judge from the wording of the circular that they are now on sale.

Bulgaria.—From various sources we have compiled the following variations from the normal perforation. 5 stotinki, yellow-green; 11½. 15 stotinki, yellow; 10½. 15 stotinki, yellow; 11½. 25 stotinki, light blue; 11½. 50 stotinki, green; 15.

Cashmere.—The *Monthly Journal* has heard of a specimen of the ½ anna, dated 1293, which is printed in green, like the 1 anna. These stamps were engraved blocks of four stamps, three of ½ anna and one of 1 anna, but it has always been supposed that the impressions of the lower value had all been destroyed. ½ anna, green.

Ceylon.—We have neglected to chronicle the 3 cent stamp which made its appearance a short time since. It is one of the same type as the 15 cent and is in two colors, the value tablet being in the last named. 3 cents, red, brown and green. An error of the 5 on 15-cent has been found with misprint "Flve."

Colombia.—E. T. Barrows sends us a current 10-cent stamp used with a circular rosette 14 mm. in diameter surcharged on the arms. Whether this is part of the cancel mark or a special jubilee mark we cannot say and should like information.

Dutch Indies.—Several stamps of the new issue with portrait of Queen Wilhelmine are noted in our exchanges, and we give all the list, although we have noted some before. 15 cents, brown. 20 cents, green. 25 cents, violet. 50 cents, carmine. 2 g. 50c., brown and blue.

Egypt.—An official stamp of the same design as the postage due stamps, but with the central design replaced by the inscription "Service de l'etat," and its Arabic equivalent was issued a short time since January 1st. For the convenience of collectors they are put on sale at the post offices in Cairo and Alexandria at 1 piaster each. Official stamp, yellow-brown. An official notice dated January 7th, stated that stamps of the values of 3 m., yellow, and 2 pi., brick-red, would be put on sale February 1st, but another notice, dated the 24th, postpones the issue until further notice.

Fiji.—The 6 penny stamp has been surcharged "Five Pence" in block type in two lines. 5 pence on 6 p., rose, *black.*

French Guiana.—By virtue of a decree dated at Cayenne December 5th, 1893, the 15 cent stamps of the colonial type were defaced with the name of the colony and "Dec. 92 O F. 05." The number ordered to be printed was 10,000. o. 05 on 15 cent, blue; *black.*

Funchal.—Owing to the supply of 2½ reis stamps having run out, the postmaster was authorized to cut the 5 reis stamps in half diagonally for use on newspapers only up to the 8th of January, when a new supply was promised.

Greece.—King Georgios I., upon the advice of ministers Triocupis and Theotokis, has seen fit to order the colors of the 25 and 40 lepta to be exchanged. The change

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took place January 1st, (13). 25 lepta, violet; imperforated. 25 lepta, violet; 11½. 40 lepta, blue; imperforated. 40 lepta, blue; 11½.

Guanacaste.—The 50 centavos and 1 and 5 peso stamps are reported with the error "Guagacaste."

Haiti.—The stamps of the current type have been re-engraved. The liberty cap is higher above the tree than before and the branches of the tree droop more. The colors are not as bright as before and the paper is very thick. Perforate 14. 1 cent, violet. 2 cents, deep blue. 7 cents, vermillion.

Labuan.—This name is not yet to be retired it seems. It is announced in the *Monthly Journal* that both the stamps of the country and those of the North Borneo Company are in use. Two new surcharges are also reported. The overprint is in two lines and in words in each case. Unwatermarked. 2 cents on 40c, yellow-brown; *black.* 6 cents on 16c, gray.

Luxemburg.—The following values of the new type are now in use, it is said. They were issued February 20th. 12½ centimes, pearl grey. 20 centimes, orange. 30 centimes, olive. 37½ centimes, green. 50 centimes, bistre.

Macao.—*Le Timbre Poste* says that the 80 reis has been surcharged for use as a 30-reis stamp. The new numerals are surcharged in red over the old in the lower corners. The usual reversed surcharges, etc. are said to exist. 30 on 80 reis, grey; *red.*

Mauritius.—Guy Semple informs us of the issue of a 15 cent stamp of the same type as the 16 cents. It was issued January 1st. Watermark and perforation unchanged. 15 cents, red-brown. Two surcharged stamps are also to be added to the list. The changes in the postal rates rendered necessary the issuing of a 1-cent stamp, and a supply was sent out from London. The plate of the 2-cent was used, but it was printed in violet and surcharged "One Cent" in a single line of heavy capital letters over the old value. The stamps were put on sale January 15th, but as only 48,000 were sent out they were soon gone, and a provisional was issued consisting of the now obsolete 16 cent surcharged with the "One Cent" above the lower label, the old value being erased by bars. These were

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issued January 7th, and 100,000 were prepared. A new supply of 400,000 of the violet stamp was received on the 10th, however, and we suppose the temporary stamp was then withdrawn. 1 cent on 2c, violet; *black.* 1 cent on 16c, red-brown; *black.*

Mexico.—The supply of 5 and 10 pesos having become exhausted, a new supply was ordered. They are of the numeral type and have fancy numerals in the centre to distinguish them from the centavos values. These stamps were seen by Chas. H. Mekeel in 1889 at the Paris exposition, together with the 1 and 2 peso values in the same colors, but they seem to have only just been put in use. 5 pesos, scarlet. 10 pesos, scarlet. These stamps were not used long, however, for the 1884 type has been re-issued in a new color on the CORREOSEUM paper. The similarity to the 5 and 10 centavos was the reason for the change, we suppose. 5 pesos, bluish green. 10 pesos, bluish green.

Morocco.—A new series of stamps has been issued, which we suppose takes the place of the two sets previously in use. Rectangular frame with landscape in lower part and sun in upper part; "Magazan" in frame at left, "Mabakech" at right, "Poste" at top, "Centimos" at bottom, numerals in lower corners, "I" "B" in upper corners. Perforate 10. 5 centimos, green. 10 centimos, blue. 25 centimos, rose. 50 centimos, violet. 1 peseta, orange.

Morocco.—Spanish Offices. M. Moens has an essay for these offices, which are soon to issue stamps, it is said. It is the same in design as the current Spanish stamps, but with „ 15 cts. * Marruecos" in the lower label. What the other values are to be we are not informed. The essay is printed in blue.

New Caledonia.—Three more surcharges as a final (?) parting. Large numerals of value surmounted by "N C-E," the latter having fancy scrolls above and below. 5 on 75 cent, carmine; *black.* 10 on 1 franc, olive; *black.* 10 on 1 franc, olive; *blue.*

Nicaragua.—The 1893 series is now in use and the familiar mountain view that appeared on the first issue forms the central portion of the design. The name of the country is at the bottom. Perforate 12½. 1 centavo, yellow brown. 2 centavos, vermillion. 5 centavos, blue. 10 centavos, slate. 20 centavos, red. 50 centavos, violet. 1 peso, dark brown. 2 pesos, green. 5 pesos, rose. 10 pesos, orange. The entire set has been printed in slate and surcharged "Franqueo Oficial" in red. 1 centavo, slate; *red.* 2 centavos, slate; *red.* 5 centavos, slate; *red.* 10 centavos, slate; *red.* 20 centavos, slate; *red.* 50

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centavos, slate; *red.* 1 peso, slate; *red.* 2 pesos, slate; *red.* 5 pesos, slate; *red.* 10 pesos, slate; *red.*

Ponta Delgada.—We have neglected to state that a 75 reis stamp has been provided for this district. 75 reis, carmine.

Portugal.—The 15 reis is the latest victim of the "Provisorio" epidemic. 15 reis red-brown; *red.*

Reunion.—There has been a new edition of the unpaid letter stamps and the 20-cent value has been replaced by a 15-cent stamp. The paper is of a marked yellowish hue instead of being white as in the first printing. 5 centimes, black on yellowish. 10 centimes, black on yellowish. 15 centimes, black on yellowish. 30 centimes, black on yellowish.

Roumania.—It is said that the 20 bani unpaid letter stamp is now printed in green on watermarked paper. 50 bani, green.

Saint Pierre Miquelon:—It seems that the unpaid letter stamps were surcharged with the name of the colony as well as the regular series. 5 centimes, black; *red.* 10 centimes, black; *red.* 15 centimes, black; *red.* 20 centimes, black; *red.* 30 centimes, black; *red.* 40 centimes, black; *red.* 60 centimes, black; *red.* 1 franc red-brown; *red* 2 francs, red-brown. And on the 6th of December, owing to a shortage of the regular postage stamps, several values of the unpaid set were surcharged with the name of the colony and in addition the letters "T. B." (*timbre poste*) for use as postage stamps. 10 centimes, black; *red.* 20 centimes, black; *red.* 30 centimes, black; *red.* 40 centimes, black; *red* 60 centimes, black; *red.* 1 franc, red-brown; *red.* 2 francs, red-brown; *red.* 5 francs, red-brown; *red.*

Salvador.—A 1-cent stamp being needed just before the 1892 set went out of use, the 20 and 25 centavos were called into service by means of a surcharge. 1 centavo on 20c, orange; *black.* 1 centavo on 25c, maroon; *orange.* President Carlos Ezeta with a policeman's helmet on his head forms the subject of the 1893 Sebecks. The usual inscriptions are at the top and the value at the bottom. Perforate 12. 1 centavo, blue. 2 centavos, red-brown. 3 centavos, purple. 5 centavos, deep-brown. 10 centavos, yellow-brown. 11 centavos, vermillion. 20 centavos, green. 25 centavos, olive-brown. 50 centavos, orange. 1 peso, black.

Shanghai.—Senf Brothers in their journal chronicle the remainder of the new set with the unpaid surcharge. 2 cents, green; *blue.* 15 cents, violet; *blue.* 20 cents, brown; *blue.*

Siam.—According to the same paper the 24 atts has been surcharged with native characters, reducing its value to 4 atts. 4 atts on 24 a., blue and lilac; *black.*

Sierra Leone.—The *American Journal of Philately* has seen a 1½-penny stamp surcharged "Half Penny" in two lines with the old value obliterated by black lines. ½ penny on 1½ p., lilac; *black.*

South African Republic.—We have received from L. H. J. Walker specimens of two new provisionals. The 6-penny and 1-shilling stamps have been surcharged for use respectively as 1-penny and 2½-penny stamps. The surcnarge is in a single line in each case in Roman type with a horizontal line above and below. 1 penny on 6 p., blue; *black.* 2½ penny on 1 sh., green; *black.* The latter exists reversed and also with the surcharge reading thus—"2/$^1{}_2$ penny." Of the 1 penny there were 180.000 printed.

Surinam.—Several new stamps are announced. The two lower values are of the numeral type, the others have Wilhelmine's portrait. 2 cents, brown. 2½ cents, carmine. 10 cents, olive. 12½ cents, green. 15 cents, grey. In addition to the above, *Le Timbre* gives the following values of the unpaid letter stamps which we have not noted before. They are of the type with "Cent" below the value. 10 cents, lilac and black. 20 cents, lilac and black. 25 cents, lilac and black.

Tonga.—Two more of the new set are at hand. The first is of the arms type, the other with portrait of King George Tubou. 4 pence, red-brown. 1 shilling, brown. As the king died a few months since, we suppose a new issue will be a necessity. His exact age is not known, but his birth took place somewhere about 1810, which would make him over 90 years old at the time of his death.

Tunis.—The 10-centime has been issued, as we announced. And in addition the color of the 75-cent, has been changed to bring it into harmony with the French issues. 10 centimes, brown on violet. 75 centimes, violet on yellow.

United States of America.—The 8-cent stamp of the Columbian issue was put on sale at our local office on the 20th of March. The design is as was stated, a copy of the picture representing Columbus restored to favor after his arrest by Bobadilla. 8 cents, reddish purple.

Venezuela.—Concerning the stamps with the "Resolucion" surcharge, which we noted a short time since, we now list them, as they seem to be all right. *Le Collectionneur de Timbres Poste* has seen a decree dated Ciudad Bolivar, October 1st, 1892, which authorizes their issue. 25 centimos on 10c, red-brown. 25 centimos on 5c, blue. 1 bolivar on 25c, brown. 1 bolivar on 50c, green. *Escuelas.* 25 centimos on 5c, green. 25 centimos on 10c, brown. 1 bolivar on 25c, orange. 1 bolivar on 50c, blue. The stamps of the current issues have all been overprinted with the arms of the republic and a fine groundwork of diagonal lines. We have not seen the decree authorizing this, but understand it was dated December 9th. From the report of the commission which had in charge the surcharging we learn the number issued, which we affix to the list which follows: *Escuelas.* 5 centimos, green; 750,000. 10 centimos, brown; 375,000. 25 centimos, orange; 450,000. 50 centimos, blue; 225,000. 1 bolivar, vermillion; 150,000. 3 bolivar, violet; 30,000. 10 bolivar, brown; 9,000. 20 bolivar, carmine; 9,000. *Correos.* 5 centimos, blue; 480,000. 10 centimos, cinnamon; 150,000. 25 centimos, brown; 240,000. 50 centimos, green; 120,000. 1 bolivar, violet; 60,000.

Victoria.—The 9-penny stamp was issued on the 18th of last October in a new color, the design and watermark being unchanged. Perforate 12½. 9 pence, green.

ENVELOPES.

Barbados.—The current 1-penny envelopes have been surcharged "½d" in violet ink with a hand stamp. There are two sizes of the surcharge, 3,000 of the smaller being printed and 70,000 of the larger. Size, 120x94 mm. ½ penny on 1 p., pink; *violet.* ½ penny on 1 p., pink; *violet;* (small surcharge.) The *American Journal of Philately* chronicles a variety of the latter in black instead of violet, but it is probably a proof or trial copy.

Brazil, United States of.—There is a 100-reis envelope of the same type as the 200 which we listed recently. White wove envelopes, 133x109 mm: 100 reis, pale red.

British East Africa Company.—The size of the envelope listed in February is 141 × 78 mm. The color is not ultramarine, as we stated, but yellow-green. 2½ annas, yellow green.

Benin.—The same envelopes have been issued here as for the rest of the French colonies. (See our January Chronicle for detailed list.)

Great Britain.—We have received from Guy Semple specimens of the new ½-penny envelopes. Both are bag shaped with tongued flaps and bear the ½-penny embossed stamp formerly used on the private post cards. The dies used on the printed-to-order envelopes have die numbers on the bust, while these do not. The color differs somewhat the *Philatelic Record* states, the printed to order being in orange vermilion. White laid paper. ½ penny, bright vermilion, 137 × 80 mm. ½ penny, bright vermilion, 224 × 98 mm.

Gwalior.—*Der Philatelist* has seen a ½-anna blue envelope with the name of this State surcharged in red and the arms in gray blue. It is said to be canceled October 30, 1886. ½ anna, blue; *red and gray-blue;* 118 × 67. mm. The *Monthly Journal* has seen some envelopes headed "Gwalior State Service" and bearing stamps surcharged or obliterated with a circular mark lettered "Gwalior" above, "State" below and a monogram in the centre. Further information concerning these is desired.

Liberia.—Four envelopes have been issued, each being of a different type. The 2-cent bears a stamp similar to the same value adhesive. The 3-cent has a bust of Jehudi Ashmanthe, first governor of the republic, in an oval with "Republic of Liberia" above and "Three 3 Cents" below, the figure being in a small shield. The 5-cent has a portrait of Joseph Jenkins Roberts, who was president from 1848 to 1856 and from 1872 to 1876; the portrait is in a diamond frame with inscriptions as in the 3 cent, numerals of value being placed in the four angles of the rectangular frame. The 10-cent has a portrait of the present Executive Magistrate, Joseph James Cheeseman, in a circle, with similar inscriptions to the others. The envelopes are 135x83 mm. They are all white laid paper and with the exception of the 2-cent are bag shaped. 2 cents, orange. 3 cents, chocolate, 5 cents, rose. 10 cents, black and orange.

Mauritius.—Guy Semple sends us a specimen of the new registration envelope. It is similar to the 8-cent, but has the value in white relief on a label of solid color. 12 cents, blue. Sizes F. and G.

Mexico.—The *Philatelic Journal of America* has received a novel advertising sheet, which cannot really be called a stamped envelope, for there is no stamp on it, and is not a letter sheet, for it must be used in the envelope. A sheet of paper 5¾x9⅛ inches is impressed with a 10 cent stamp of the current issue in the upper right corner, all the remaining space being filled with advertisements. When this is folded it is to be placed in the envelope which accompanies it, so that the stamp will show through the oval hole punched in the corner where the stamp is usually placed. With this sheet may be included letters, and as the whole contrivance costs only 5 centavos, it will no doubt become very popular. 10 centavos, scarlet.

New South Wales.—The official envelope now bears the royal arms on the flap. 1 penny, lilac; 143x79 mm.

Nicaragua.—The new envelopes are of the same type as the adhesives. Salmon paper. 5 centavos, dark-blue; 194x86 mm. 10 centavos, lilac; 194x86 mm. 20 centavos, dark-red; 194x94 mm. 30 centavos, chocolate; 238x103 mm. 50 centavos, deep violet; 238x103 mm.

Russia.—*Le Timbre Poste* chronicles the small size of the 7 kopecs with thunderbolts. Cream paper. 7 kopecs, blue.

Salvador.—The new issue have stamps of the adhesive type. Blue paper, 160x91 mm. 1 centavo, blue. 3 centavos, purple. 5 centavos, deep-brown. 10 centavos chocolate. 11 centavos, vermilion. 20 centavos, green. 22 centavos, carmine.

Portgual.—An envelope with stamp of the same design as the new adhesives has been issued. Buff paper; size not given in *Le Timbre Poste*, from which we take our information. 25 reis, green.

Tasmania.—A large number of the made-to-order simple and compound envelopes are listed by our exchanges, but we forbear to list them, as they are of little interest.

Tunis.—There is a 10 centime envelope on blue paper. 10 centimes, blue.

United States of America.—The Columbian envelopes went on sale about the middle of the month, but we have seen only the 1 and 2-cent values. A list of the sizes, etc., was given in our January number, so we will refrain from enumerating them again,

WRAPPERS.

Cape of Good Hope.—There is a three-half penny band of the same type as the 1 penny. 1½ penny, blue-gray on manila.

Liberia.—Two wrappers with stamps of the adhesive type have been issued. Size, 298x125 mm. 1 cent, brown on white. 1 cent, brown on buff.

Nicaragua.—The wrappers bear stamps of the same type as the adhesives. Salmon paper, 201x265 mm. 1 centavo, green. 2 centavo, green.

Salvador.—These wrappers also bear stamps of the same design as the new adhesives. Blue paper, 204x265 mm. 2 centavos, red. 3 centavos, purple. 10 centavos, brown. 11 centavos, vermilion.

POST CARDS.

Angra.—Two more cards have been issued. Designs same as before, but with new stamps. 30 reis, blue. 30+30 reis, blue.

Barbados.—The *Postal Card* has received the ½ penny with stamp of the new type. ½ penny, red-brown on white. The single card of the new type was not in use December 31.

Benin.—The cards are now in use as in the rest of the French colonies. (See our February number for list, etc.)

British East Africa Company.—Two cards have been issued with stamp of the adhesive type and inscribed with the name of the company above "Post Card" and one line of instructions. Both are on white. ½ anna, brown; 122x75 mm. 1 anna, black; 140x89 mm.

British Guiana.—The permanent 2-cent reply card is of the same design as the 3-cent, 1887. 2+2 cents, carmine.

Ceylon.—An official card of about the same size as the regular one has been issued. In place of the stamp is "On H. M. S." We also learn from one of our German exchanges of a reply 2-cent card. The stamp consists of a rectangular typeset form with T border, inscribed "Ceylon—2c.—Postage" in three lines. At the left of the stamp is "Reply Post Card" above the royal arms, with three lines of instruction below. Size 122x85 mm. 2+2 cents, blue on white. The 3-cent card has also been surcharged "Two Cents" in black. 2 cents on 3 cents, lilac

Curacao.—Two more cards of the numeral type are announced. Both have white reverses. 5 cents, brown on blue. 7½ cents, carmine on rose.

Funchal.—There are 30-reis cards for this district of the same design as those of Angra. 30 reis, blue. 30+30 reis, blue.

Gambia.—The reply 1½-penny cards have also been surcharged. 1+1 penny on 1½+1½ p., gray.

Germany.—The 5 and 5+5 pfennig cards are now dated for the current year.

Horta.—Two more cards have been issued. 30 reis, blue. 30+30 reis, blue.

Hungary.—The advertising card is said to have been withdrawn.

Mashonaland.—Some of the Cape of Good Hope cards have been surcharged for use in this district. The 1-penny has simply "Mashonaland" in black over the arms with the old name below the arms crossed out. The other two have "Mashonaland—— via" in two lines over the old inscriptions. 1 penny, red-brown; *black*. 1+1 penny, brown; *black*. 1½+1½ penny, gray; *black*.

Monaco.—A reply card with stamp of the new type is reported by the *American Journal of Philately*. 10+10 centimes, red-brown.

New South Wales.—The current 1-penny card is said to have been surcharged "O. S," in the upper corners of the stamp for use as an official. 1 penny, violet" *black.*

Orange Free State.—The latest provisional card is formed by affixing a 2-penny adhesive surcharged 1½. 1½ penny on 2 p., mauve and black on white.

Ponta Delgada.—Two more cards of the same design as those of the other districts. 30 reis, blue. 30+30 reis, blue.

Salvador.—The new cards bear stamps of the current adhesive type and have the usual inscriptions. 1 centavo, black on brown groundwork. 2 centavos, black on orange groundwork. 3 centavos, black on green groundwork. 2+2 centavos, black on orange groundwork. 3+3 centavos, black on green groundwork.

Tunis.—There is a new card of the same type as the 10 centimes. 5 centimes, black.

Venezuela.—There is a new card, differing from the old one in color and paper. 10 centimes, carmine on thin white.

Zululand.—Cards of Great Britain have been surcharged for use in the land of the late lamented Cetywayo. ½ penny, red-brown on white. ½+½ penny, red-brown on white. 1 penny, vermilion on buff. 1+1 penny, vermilion on buff.

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CHARLOTTETOWN, P. E. I. APRIL 13th, 1893.

To the Editor Dominion Philatelist.

DEAR SIR. For the benefit of Canadian collectors, I wish to pen a word of warning in regard to two men, or boys, in St John, N. B., viz.: K. Hall, and H. McGuire, whose acquaintance I formed philatelically at a financial loss to myself. I handed Hall 4 Jubilee envelopes in spotless condition and quoted him reasonable prices, he returned me 3 in an absolutely filthy condition at the end of a year, and of course I promptly returned them to him with a request to pay or I would expose him. This he would not do, so I give you readers the benefit of my experience.

I receive at times a magazine called *The Collector* published at New Chester, Adams Co., Pa, U. S. A. by R. M. Miller. The February No. had in an advertisement from H. McGuire Co., St. John, N. B., quoting among other things, "New Brunswick Sheet of 100 5 cent green, $1.00." I sent a P. O. Order to this H. McGuire, for $2.00 asking him for 2 entire sheets of 5 cent green ; he sent me 200 loose 5 cent N. B., which are to me perfectly useless, and to my inquiry for a refunding of the $2.00, and taking back by him of the 200 5 cent N. B., he replied saucily that I have 200 5 cent N. B., and I can keep them. I would state that while I fully understand that a magazine cannot be responsible for all its advertisements, still, I think a certain amount of caution should be used, and if H. McGuire wrote to M. Miller as he has written to me, the latter must have seen by his shocking bad orthography and grammar that he was not a desirable client. I wrote M. Miller in regard to the matter and he has never had common politeness to reply to my letter.

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SECRETARY-TREASURER'S REPORT.

BELLEVILLE, *April 25, 1893.*

To Members of the C. P. A.

GENTLEMEN,—I beg to submit the following report for April:

APPLICATIONS FOR MEMBERSHIP.—John McQuoid, Consecon; references H. F. Ketcheson and T. S. Clark. C. S. McKee, Peterborough; references, H. F. Ketcheson and T. S. Clark.

NEW MEMBERS.—282, Chas. E. Shaw, Clinton, Mass.

RESIGNATIONS.—280, Geo. A. Moore.

NEW ADDRESSES.—T. Dorman, 13 Victoria Road, Halifax; S. B. Bradt, Brookline Park, Illinois.

RECEIPTS.

Balance last statement	$3 05
Dues No. 265	1 00
	$4 05

EXPENDITURE.—*Nil.*

April 24 Balance on hand	4 05

T. S. CLARK, Sec.-Treas.

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PERSONAL NOTES.

W. A. BUCHANAN, C. P. A. member, formerly of Norwood, is now living in Peterborough, Ont.

E. Y. PARKER, of Toronto, paid a flying visit to Belleville a few days ago, after stamps as usual.

W. H. BROUSE, of Toronto, attended the De Coppett sale in New York and secured some gems for his collection.

H. F. KETCHESON paid flying visits to Montreal, Brockville and Toronto on stamp business during the past month.

T. S. CLARK, of Belleville, expects to leave for a three months trip to Europe about May 15th. He will be accompanied by Mrs. Clark.

J. S. HAMLEY, of Port Hope, was in Peterborough a few days ago and spent a half hour with us. He is an enthusiastic collector and has some fine Canadian stamps in his collection.

MR. FARRER INESON, of Carlton West, has removed to Peterborough where he will reside in future.

DR. CAMERON, of Montreal, has been ill for some time but is now around again. The Dr. collects B. N. A. Stamps only.

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EDITORIAL

FROM a letter by John K. Tiffany to the Eastern Philatelist we clip the following: "A genuine unused original 10 cents of 1847 is a much greater rarity than one might suppose from the catalogue price. The most ready test is that while in the original there is a second black line extended more or less nearly across the bottom of the necktie and rather close to it, there is no such line in the reprint. Also on the ornament that follows the word "office" the small ornamental dots, pearls, diamonds, or whatever they are, are shaded both at the right and at the bottom, so that without a glass the whole ornament has an appearance somewhat like a rope, while in the imitation the shading gives the impression of a series of black dots. With these two tests the reprints (!) ought to be easily distinguished.'

W. H. BROUSE, of Toronto attended the De Coppett sale in New York and succeeded in securing for $111 a superb *cancelled* specimen (the only one known) of the British Columbian and Vancouver Island 2½ Pink *unperforated.* He also met many of the prominent collectors and dealers and came home impressed with the idea that Br. N. A. stamps are worth buying and are sure to advance rapidly in price. Speaking of B. N. A. stamps we had the pleasure of looking at Mr. Brouse's collection of these stamps a few days ago and among hundreds of rare and beautiful specimens we noted 5 Canada 12 pence, 8 Newfoundland vermilion shilling, one half dozen each of the shillings of N. B. and N. S., 13 Canada, 6 pence perforated and the Br. Columbia 2½ unperf. Mr. Brouse has sold his general collections and is devoting his entire attention to B. N. A. Stamps.

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QUEBEC PHILATELIC CLUB.

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5TH REGULAR MEETING:

The 5th regulular meeting of this club was called to order at 8:30 p.m. at Mr. Gaspard LeMoine's residence. Those present being Messrs. Joseph, O'Meara, LeMoine, Judge, Rattray and Mitchell. The Secretary read a letter

from the Secretary of the Toronto Philatelic Club, and also a copy of the T. P. C's petition to the Hon. Clark Wallace, requesting him to remove the duty imposed on postage stamps.

It was then decided that the President and the Secy-Treas. should draw up a petition somewhat similar to that of the T. P. C's and forward it without delay.

Mr. R. Kane was then proposed for membership by J. S. O'Meara, seconded by F. O. Judge.

Mr. LeMoine exhibited a splendid collection of some 4500 varieties which was greatly admired. The Librarian begs to acknowledge the following for March: E. H. Sewell 30, F. O. Judge 6, Ernest F. Wurtele 4, B. B. Carter 1, making a total for March of 41. For April, J. S. O'Meara 50, G. LeMoine 1, Ernest F. Wurtele 186, making a grand total of 278 Pieces.

J. S. O'MEARA, Secretary-Treasurer

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QUEBEC, *10th April, 1893.*

To the Members Canadian Philatelic Association.

GENTLEMEN,—The following petition was sent to the Hon., the Comptroller of Her Majesty's Customs, on behalf of the Association and is submitted herewith for your information.

We trust that it may in a measure serve to benefit all persons devoted to the study of Philately, by receiving favourable consideration at the hands of the Government.

I remain, gentlemen, yours very truly,

ERNEST E. WURTELE, President.

CANADIAN PHILATELIC ASSOCIATION.

Office of the President.

QUEBEC, *29th March, 1893.*

The Honourable, the Comptroller of Her Majesty's Customs, Ottawa, Ont.

SIR,—Your petitioners, on behalf of the Canadian Philatelic Association, respectfully request to draw your attention to the duty of thirty per cent. ad valorem, which has been placed upon Postage Stamps, Stamped Envelopes, Wrappers and Postal Cards of foreign countries, imported into Canada, and for the undermentioned reasons humbly pray that the above may be admitted free of duty.

1st.—That students of Philately (Stamp Collectors) residing in Canada, are subjected to pecuniary loss and to great inconvenience and delay in the receipt of their correspondence, on account of the same being held for examination by the Customs' Officers.

2nd.—That the collection of the articles in question have a direct tendency of imparting geographical knowledge as well as upon other points, to those devoted to its study.

3rd.—That as coins are classed as "curios" and in consequence free of duty, that stamps, etc., in like manner should receive the same consideration.

4th.—That the revenue to be derived from the imposition of this tax, is not commensurate with the labour and expense attached to its collection.

Your petitioners therefore humbly request your favourable consideration of their request and will ever pray.

ERNEST F. WURTELE, President.
T. S. CLARK, Secretary-Treasurer.

The Canadian Philatelic Association.

A MEMORY OF MY SHANGHAI STAMPS.

By Carlos.

I came to California in the fall of 1891, and naturally, there were many new sights and customs interesting to me in this new country. Not the least interesting to me, was the observing of the customs and features of the many Chinese found on this coast. Every city and town of any size in California has its Chinatown, composed of laundries, Chinese labor bureaus, and stores of Chinese merchandise and fancy goods. I always felt very friendly towards the Chinese and especially so here where they are so condemned and persecuted, and I made the acquaintance of many, some of whom spoke English fluently and were good scholars. I often tried to obtain stamps from them for my collection, but although some of them had correspondents in China, the stamps on their letters were either common Hong Kong stamps or they had not been prepaid and were adorned with U. S. postage dues. Last fall I was book-keeper for a raisin packing house where we employed, among others, a number of the lower class of Chinese laborers, who were furnished in gangs by a Chinese labor bureau. There was one old fellow who made a friend of everybody there, his name was Ti, a very commendable name as compared with some of the jaw-breaking names of Germany and Russia, and he belonged to the great family of Lung, for the inhabitants of the Chinese Empire, are divided into several great families or clans, which compose the whole population of the Empire. There are the Chang, the Lee and and the Lung tribes. Old Ti was a strong, square built Celestial, rather taller than the average Chinaman, and such a good natured fellow, he was not much of a talker, but had his opinion about everything. It was curious to see him go out of his way to examine a box of raisins just come in, study them carefully and then remark: "Heap good" or "Heap bad" as the case might be. He took an interest in everything and although it was his part to attend strictly to lifting the heavy sweat-boxes, whenever he had any spare time he would turn his hand to something else. Always a word or a look from you would bring a good-natured broad smile to his face. So he worked on day after day, until late in the season. One morning he did not appear. One of his almond-eyed fellow workmen, on being questioned, graphically told the following tale. Ti, his brother kill, fightee, shootum, stealum, heap blood," from which, and further remarks, we gathered that Ti had the night before, received a letter from Shanghai, telling of the death of his only brother, robbed and murdered by highbinders. It seems that for years, Ti had been saving up all his money and sending it to his brother in China. and now, thts brother had been killed and robbed. Ti had cried all night and made himself sick. The next day he returned to work, but never afterward did he take so much interest in hls work, and it was seldom that his good-

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natured smile ever came over his face after this. One evening, several days later, I visited him in his little cabin in the settlement, encamped on the vineyard near the packing house, and asked to see the letter. He produced it from an old cigar box, and pointing to each character, read it over to me in his native tongue, throwing in enough "pigeon" English to give me an idea of the contents. When he finished, I held out my hand for it, and after studying the queer characters awhile, I proceeded to take off the stamp which was an ordinary 20 Candarin, of the 1885 issue, from the envelope, and then handed it back to him. I asked him if he ever had any other letters from his brother, and he brought out about a dozen more which he had received, from time to time, during the last 15 years. Most of them had U. S. postage due stamps on them, but I found four of the rare 12 Candarin Stamps of the 1876 issue, which I asked for, and although he did not seem to have the least idea what I wanted of them, he readily gave them to me. I had hardly expected to get them so easily, as it is a superstition among the Chinese that to give away a stamp from off one of their letters is bad luck; that they are giving away a secret somehow. At the end of the season Ti left the packing house, and I never have seen him since, although I learned he went to work on the railroad. Poor old Ti; I can see him just as he looked, dressed in his blue jeans, overalls and jumper, with a leather belt tightly fastened around his waist, giving him the appearance of a big rag baby, with his broad, flat face covered with a friendly grin, his pig-tail always wound around the top of his head, and last but not least ,his American boots which had been tapped and retapped until the soles were three or four inches thick, and the boys used to say that he used them to drive spikes into the railroad ties. I remember well the last words I heard him utter: "No like work any more. No brother give dollars to." Many and many are the stamps acquired in ten years

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PARIS STAMP BOURSE.

One of the most interesting of the very many sights of Paris, anyway, to a stamp collector, is the open-air Stamp "Bourse" held every Sunday, on one of the avenues of the *Champs Elysee.* I daresay most collectors have heard of this world-famed Exchange, and of the wonderful bargains which are reported to have been "picked up" there by various lucky Philatelists but as, no doubt, many of my readers have not had the good fortune to visit the Bourse in person, perhaps my account of what I saw will interest them.

I paid two visits to the Bourse, the first in January, under the wing of M. Dorsan Astruc, to whom I am indebted for many acts of hospitality and kindness from him during my stay in his lovely city; and the second was in March, when I was accompanied by my good friend Mr. Theodor Buhl, head of the big London firm. The "Bourse" begins every Sunday at about twelve, and continues until dark, after which most of the dealers and many of the more important collectors adjourn to a cafe close by, where trade is continued some hours assisted by frequent refreshments.

During the winter months the attendance is not as numerous as during summer, but on the occasion of each of my visits I saw some four to six hundred people congregated under the trees, hard at work, buying, selling, and "swopping." Everyone appeared particularly well-dressed and well-to-do—there were serious looking grey-haired old ladies and gentlemen—happy looking, and remarkably lovely mademoiselles of all ages—cheerful, shrewd looking school lads, and in fact, all classes and ages were represented; and although many of them came in their carriages, none were too proud to "do a deal," be it either to buy, sell, or exchange. Perhaps no where else could a more cosmopolitan gathering be found: there were Spaniards from South America, Dutchmen from South Africa, English colonists from almost everywhere, cute Americans, Russians, Turks, and others inumerable no matter what language a man spoke or where he came from, he would not find himself; alone for long. As soon as the whisper went around that I was "Monsieur Vindin, from

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Most of the Parisian dealers attend the Exchange, but the more important do no selling, but confine themselves to buying, and talking of the past week's discoveries and business. Among other familiar faces I noticed Messrs. Astruc, Maury, Jules Bernichon, Ambrose, Forme, Victor Robert, Singer, Schmidt de Wilde, Gelli (of Gelli and Tani), Gruat, and others. There were no end of stamps on view of every description,but chiefly of the medium or common class, I noticed very few rare stamps, and conclude that these are not usually offered or sold at the Bourse; I saw a great many more in the evening at the Cafe, before mentioned. Should anything good turn up it soon sells, if at a price snfficiently low to please the bigger dealers, but if a full price is wanted the prospect of doing business is not great. The utmost good nature and kind feeling prevails everywhere, and you hear nothing of sharp practices or unfair dealing. If you are a buyer you are rushed by sellers; my only danger was with some of the charming little ladies, whom I found it impossible to resist, and therefore was obliged to exchange my good francs for stamps, which my judgment would not otherwise have permitted me to purchase, but I suppose we are mostly mortals in this way. I was able to buy a few stamps I wanted, among them a number of Australian at prices below what I could purchase them for in Australia; but taken all round it seemed to me that bargains were few, and that good Stamps sold readily at much better prices than they would fetch in Australia.—*D. A. Vinden.*

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COLLECTORS should be on the lookout for bogus "split" stamps (provisionals) of New Brunswick, on "original envelopes." An irresponsible young fellow of St. John N. B., whose name is withheld for the present, is putting these things on the market for sale or exchange. His plan is to get 5c. stamps on the envelopes, (the cancellation covering the stamp only and not extending to the envelope,) remove the stamp and then subsitute one-half of an unused 10c., which is thereupon neatly cancelled with a rubber stamp made in exact imitation of the old "gridiron" cancellation of New Brunswick. The forgery is difficult to detect, but in most cases the cancellation is of a deeper black and has a fresher appearance than that of the genuine provisionals. There is reason to believe that this party is also manufacturing Nova Scotia as well as New Brunswick splits. Persons obtaining any doubtful specimens of these stamps from St. John or vicinity will do well to send them for inspection to R. W. Hannington, barrister, of that city. He will gladly advise as to their probable genuiness, and in the case of forgeries will if necessary take measures to have the offender punished according to law. This is partly because the existance of such forgeries might tend to throw discredit upon genuine split provisionals of which Mr. Hannington makes a speciality in his collecting and dealing.

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A CLEVER swindle has recently been worked from Chicago, advertisement appeared in a number of Canadian papers offering a "beautiful steel engraving" of the Landing of Columbus, at the very low price of $2.00; those who were foolish enough to remit received by return mail an unused 2c. stamp Columbian issue.

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